



## Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

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### THE FIVE PRIORITIES

***“ My five priorities form the foundation of OSWER’s commitment to protect human health and the environment, encourage greater environmental stewardship, and promote environmental justice in all programs and policies.”***

#### **Emergency Response and Homeland Security**

Every year, OSWER’s Emergency Response Program conducts or oversees hundreds of emergency responses to clean up oil spills and hazardous substance releases. OSWER ensures that the cleanup is appropriate, timely, and minimizes human and environmental risks. OSWER’s Emergency Response Program provides the people and skills necessary to respond to national security threats faced by this country. The possibility of future terrorist attacks or other large-scale disasters necessitate a national response that is immediate, protective, and preventive.

#### **One Cleanup Program**

The One Cleanup Program (OCP) is OSWER's vision for how different cleanup programs at all levels of government can work together to improve the coordination, speed, and effectiveness of cleanups at the nation's contaminated sites. OCP encourages improved collaboration among EPA cleanup programs with state, tribal, local and other federal agency programs and stakeholders. For information on the One Cleanup Program, go to <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/onecleanupprogram>.

#### **Land Revitalization**

The Land Revitalization Agenda (LRA) promotes the reuse of once-contaminated sites in order to revitalize America’s communities. Because cleanup and reuse are mutually supportive goals, property reuse should be an integral part of the way OSWER does business. To learn more about OSWER’s Land Revitalization Initiative, go to <http://www.epa.gov/oswer/landrevitalization>.

#### **Energy Recovery, Recycling & Waste Minimization**

The Resource Conservation Challenge (RCC) is a major cross-Agency initiative that identifies innovative, flexible, and more protective ways to conserve natural resources through (1) materials pollution prevention, recycling, and reuse; (2) reducing chemicals in all their uses; and (3) conserving energy and materials. The RCC also includes a retail component that educates consumers about resource conservation opportunities. For more information about the Resource Conservation Challenge, go to <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/osw/conserve/>.

#### **Workforce Development**

OSWER is committed to developing the full potential of its workforce by encouraging creativity and innovation, providing career development opportunities, and assuring that a diverse pool of qualified candidates is available for all OSWER job opportunities. If you would like more information about OSWER’s workforce development, contact Laurie May at (202) 566-1918.